

CHAPTER 3

VEHICLES OF EXCESSIVE SIZE AND WEIGHT — SPECIAL OR EMERGENCY SITUATIONS — PERMITS

S.F. 153

AN ACT relating to single-trip permits for vehicles of excessive size and weight during special or emergency situations.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. [Section 321E.9, subsection 2](#), Code 2023, is amended to read as follows:

2. Vehicles with indivisible loads may be moved in special or emergency situations, provided the permit-issuing authority has reviewed the route and has approved the movement of the vehicle and load.

a. The permit-issuing authority may impose any special restrictions on movements as deemed necessary or exempt movements from the restrictions of ~~section~~ [sections 321E.7, 321E.11, and 321E.32](#) by permit under [this subsection](#).

b. When the department determines a special or emergency situation exists, the combined gross weight or gross weight on any one axle or group of axles on a vehicle or combination of vehicles issued a permit under [this subsection](#) may exceed the maximum weights specified in [section 321.463](#), subject to the limits and routes established by the permit-issuing authority.

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